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- Bank officials and the FBI released surveillance photos July 10 of a group of armed bank robbers who struck at least five banks in Connecticut and stole almost $500,000 since September 2010. – *WNBC 4 New York* (See item **8**)

- Two people were injured in a freight train derailment and explosion in Columbus, Ohio, that forced the evacuation of approximately 100 people, shut down roads, and put more than 100 area transit buses out of commission. – *United Press International* (See item **13**)

- A plane with 177 passengers was evacuated at Philadelphia International Airport after 6 people on board fell sick July 10, fire officials said. – *Philadelphia Inquirer* (See item **14**)

- More than 20,000 evacuation calls were never delivered to residents in the path of a wildfire that destroyed about 350 homes around Colorado Springs, Colorado, in June, records show. – *Associated Press* (See item **40**)

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## Energy Sector

1. *July 10, Associated Press* – (West Virginia) **Utilities reduce W.Va. storm outages to 35,651.** Utility crews were continuing to restore electricity to thousands of West Virginians who lost service during recent severe storms. As of July 10, there were 35,651 outages across the State. A majority of the outages were in Appalachian Power's territory, where 22,178 customers had no electricity as of July 10. FirstEnergy said it had 13,473 customers awaiting restoration of service. The first storm hit June 29. Smaller subsequent storms caused outages for people who did not lose power the first time, or who had gotten back on the grid. Appalachian Power said it had restored service to at least 95 percent of customers affected by the storms. State and federal officials are conducting preliminary damage assessments. Those reports will determine eligibility for federal disaster assistance.
Source: http://www.wtov9.com/news/ap/west-virginia/utilities-reduce-wva-storm-outages-to-38925/nPqH8/

2. *July 10, Martha's Vineyard Times* – (Massachusetts) **Oak Bluffs fire chief orders harbor gas pumps shut.** In the wake of a gasoline spill the week of July 2, the Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts fire chief ordered the marine fuel facility located at Church's Pier on Oak Bluffs harbor to shut down July 9. The order to close the fuel facility leaves Oak Bluffs Harbor with no gasoline available during the busiest part of the boating season. Oak Bluffs firefighters, police, and members of the harbormaster's department responded to the pier for a report of a gasoline spill in the harbor July 4. No alarms sounded, but people in the area smelled gasoline, and then saw fuel pouring into the harbor. Cleanup crews used chemical dispersants, a floating boom, and absorbent mats to contain the spill. The spill left a strong odor of gasoline hanging over the area. Police cordoned off the sidewalk in front of Nancy's snack bar, but did not ask people to leave the area. Police did ask boaters not to start their engines while the cleanup took place.
Source: http://www.mvtimes.com/2012/07/10/oak-bluffs-fire-chief-orders-harbor-gas-pumps-shut-11432/

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## Chemical Industry Sector

3. *July 11, The Register* – (International) **Chemical giant foils infected USB stick espionage bid.** An attempt to infiltrate the corporate systems of Dutch chemical company DSM by leaving malware-laden USB sticks in the corporation's car park failed, The Register reported July 11. Instead of plugging the discarded drives into a workstations, which would have infected the company's machines, a worker who first found one of the devices turned it in to DSM's IT department. System administrators subsequently found an unspecified password-stealing keylogger, according to local reports. The spyware was designed to upload stolen usernames and passwords to a

server under the control of hackers. This site was blocked by DSM's system administrators, so the firm would be protected even if other workers find and use the infected USBs on corporate laptops. Using infected USBs as way to smuggle malware into firms has become a regular occurrence in recent years, security researchers' note, especially since they were the presumed delivery mechanism of the Stuxnet worm.
Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/07/11/infected_usb_spyware/

4. *July 10, WLDS 1180 AM Jacksonville/WEAI 107.1 FM Lynneville* – (Illinois) **Anhydrous leak causes evacuation.** Several Roodhouse, Illinois homes were evacuated July 10 as a precaution after an anhydrous ammonia leak was discovered on a nearby train. A Roodhouse police sergeant said one of his officers on patrol smelled an odor of anhydrous as he passed train tracks where several railroad workers were separating cars. The smell originated from a leaking railcar, but there was no visible cloud of anhydrous, the sergeant said. He said 10 to 15 residents were evacuated from the area for about 4 hours while the Roodhouse Fire Department cleared the scene.
Source: http://wlds.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=9876:anhydrous-leak-causes-evacuation&catid=56:local-news&Itemid=127

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## Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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## Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. *July 10, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Bosch recalls SkilSaw miter saws due to laceration hazard.** The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with Robert Bosch Tool Corporation of Mount Prospect, Illinois, July 10 announced a voluntary recall of approximately 22,149 miter saws. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. The lower guard can break and contact the blade during use, posing a laceration hazard. The miter saws were sold at Lowe's Home Centers nationwide, and OC Tanner from January 2012 to April 2012.
Source: http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml12/12218.html

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## Banking and Finance Sector

6. *July 10, McAllen Monitor* – (Texas) **2 accused of bilking thousands in fake credit card ring.** A man and woman faced allegations in McAllen, Texas, that they participated in a credit card fraud ring that swindled thousands of dollars from banks and retailers and involved hundreds of fraudulent credit cards, the McAllen Monitor reported July 10. McAllen police arrested the two Mexican nationals on suspicion of credit card fraud July 3. The U.S. Secret Service brought federal fraud charges against the two defendants after police discovered hundreds of fake credit cards, gift cards, computers, cocaine, steroids, thousands of dollars in cash, and other brand-new electronics at two apartments in McAllen. Officers also seized a credit card encoder, thousands of debit card PIN numbers, and two luxury sport utility vehicles. Police uncovered the case after they found the man at an Academy Sports + Outdoors store, where he was found with several credit cards and recently purchased gift cards in his pockets, and several American Express gift cards and watches inside his vehicle. Source: http://www.themonitor.com/news/fake-62184-mcallen-accused.html

7. *July 10, Bloomberg News* – (Iowa) **Peregrine Financial allegedly has $200 million shortfall.** Peregrine Financial Group Inc., a futures brokerage, has a customer fund shortfall of at least $200 million, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) claimed in a complaint filed in federal court, Bloomberg News reported July 10. The regulator is seeking a court order freezing the firm's assets and the appointment of a receiver, as well as monetary relief including fines and restitution. The FBI is also participating in the federal probe, according to an agency spokeswoman. The National Futures Association, an industry self-regulator July 9 said Peregrine had reported it held about $400 million in customer-segregated funds as of June 29, of which $225 million was on deposit at U.S. Bank. The regulator was then made aware that its chairman "may have falsified bank records" after finding only $5 million was on deposit.
Source: http://www.businessweek.com/news/2012-07-10/peregrine-financial-has-200-million-shortfall-cftc-says

8. *July 10, WNBC 4 New York* – (Connecticut) **FBI seeks gang of armed bank robbers in Conn.** Bank officials and the FBI released surveillance photos July 10 of a group of armed bank robbers who have struck at least five banks in Connecticut and stolen almost $500,000 since September 2010. Authorities are looking for three to five men who have entered banks armed with handguns and wearing work clothes and dark masks. The men subdue the patrons and tellers, then ransack the teller drawers before escaping, according to a FBI special agent. A FBI spokesman said, "The gang appears to be very well organized. They don't speak and have assigned roles and then switch cars as they escape."

Source: http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Connecticut-Armed-Bank-Robbers-Gang-FBI-Photos-Reward-161964955.html

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## Transportation Sector

9. *July 11, Vail Daily* – (Colorado) **CDOT closes Highway 24 near Leadville indefinitely.** After announcing July 10 they would reopen one lane to passenger vehicles, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) decided the road is not safe. It is now closed between Red Cliff and Leadville, Colorado, in both directions, the Vail Daily reported July 11. A sinkhole measuring 20 feet by 30 feet around and more than 100 feet deep collapsed July 9, causing CDOT crews to close the road. Crews decided the sinkhole could expand, and that it was not safe to allow motorists near it. The sinkhole is a century-old abandoned railroad tunnel that collapsed decades ago, CDOT engineers, maintenance supervisors, and geological experts determined. The tunnel was built between 1900 and 1910 and ran under Tennessee Pass, but collapsed when the wood beams supporting it gave away.
Source: http://www.aspentimes.com/article/20120711/NEWS/120719980/1077&ParentProfile=1058

10. *July 11, New Brunswick Patch* – (New Jersey) **U.S. Attorney: New Brunswick man attempted to board flight with razors.** Law enforcement intercepted a man at New Jersey's Newark Liberty International Airport July 9 attempting to board an international flight while carrying six concealed razor blades in his carry-on luggage, according to a U.S. attorney. The man faced federal charges with attempting to board an aircraft with a dangerous weapon that would have been accessible to him in flight. He appeared July 10 before a judge in Newark federal court, who ordered he be detained and sent for a mental competency evaluation. According to a FBI Special Agent, the man purchased a one-way ticket in cash for a Lufthansa flight scheduled to depart shortly after his purchase. The flight would arrive in Dusseldorf, Germany, and then connect to Budapest, Hungary. While at the security checkpoint, he allegedly failed to follow a Transportation Security Administration officer's instructions. While officers searched his belongings, he continued to defy directions and obstructed law enforcement from searching his property. He could face up to 10 years in prison, as well as a $250,000 fine.
Source: http://newbrunswick.patch.com/articles/new-brunswick-man-attempts-to-board-international-flight-with-concealed-weapons

11. *July 11, CBS News* – (Florida; Iowa; International) **Turbulence injures 12 on American Airlines flight.** In Miami, Florida, American Airlines Flight 1780 landed at Miami International Airport with 12 injured people — 5 of them were rushed to the hospital, after severe in-flight turbulence, CBS News reported July 11. About 30 minutes from landing, severe turbulence jolted the Miami-bound Boeing 757 for a full

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15 seconds, launching people from their seats and even slamming one woman into the ceiling after she got up to secure her son. There were 185 passengers were on board, and 2 of the 5 people taken to the hospital were crew members on that flight. Passengers with minor injuries were treated at the gate. Another flight was also diverted off-course, CBS News reported. A Delta flight headed from Minneapolis to St. Louis, made an emergency landing in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, after it lost one of its engines. All 150 people on board landed safely.
Source: http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505263_162-57469994/turbulence-injures-12-on-american-airlines-flight/

12. *July 11, DCist.com* – (Washington, D.C.) **Intense rainstorm causes flash floods across D.C.** A brief, but intense, rainstorm July 10 left swaths of Washington, D.C. inundated, with some neighborhoods experiencing flash flooding and briefly losing power. Segments of roads throughout the city were underwater, with perhaps the worst flooding coming in low-lying Bloomingdale, where a strip of Rhode Island Avenue filled with water that reached the top of cars' wheel wells and flooded basement units. Other affected areas included the southeast corner of Capitol Hill and an underpass at the intersection of Virginia Avenue and 20th Street Northwest, the acting head of Washington, D.C.'s Homeland Security and Emergency Management agency told the Washington Post. Roadways coursing through Rock Creek Park were also significantly affected by the deluge, with large stretches of Beach Drive still shut down July 11. Meanwhile, Pepco reported more than 3,200 D.C. customers were without power, with the Palisades and other parts of upper Northwest D.C. suffering the greatest number of outages. By July 11, all but about 500 had their power restored.
Source: http://dcist.com/2012/07/flooding.php#photo-1

13. *July 11, United Press International* – (Ohio) **2 injured when train derails in Columbus.** Two people were injured in a freight train derailment and explosion in Columbus, Ohio that forced the evacuation of about 100 people, shut down roads, and put more than 100 area transit buses out of commission. The July 11 incident occurred near the Ohio State Fairgrounds when 11 cars of the 98-car southbound Norfolk Southern train carrying mixed freight derailed, and several cars caught fire, WCMH 4 Columbus reported. About 100 people living near the derailment were evacuated to the fairgrounds. Fire officials said 20,000 gallons of ethanol were burning. Officials said several cars contained styrene which, if ignited, can emit a gas that affects the nervous system if inhaled, becoming a "nerve agent." Those cars were not involved in the derailment or fire. Two people in the vicinity of the train when it derailed were injured and drove themselves to a nearby hospital. Officials said they hoped to extinguish the fire by July 11 and allow evacuees to return to their homes. Police, fire, and HAZMAT personnel responded. The National Transportation Safety Board said investigators were dispatched to the scene. The Central Ohio Transit Authority said 135 to 140 buses that operate out of a garage near the derailment would not be in use until further notice WCMH 4 Columbus reported.
Source: http://www.upi.com/Top_News/US/2012/07/11/2-injured-when-train-derails-in-Columbus/UPI-10461342005045/

14. *July 10, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (Pennsylvania) **Plane evacuated at Phila. International after 6 fall ill.** A plane with 177 passengers was evacuated at Philadelphia International Airport in Philadelphia after 6 people on board fell sick July 10, fire officials said. US Airways Flight 720 departed from Charlotte, North Carolina, for Rome, Italy, but was diverted to Philadelphia after people started falling sick on board, officials said. The six people were taken to a hospital. Fire department crews examined the plane and did not immediately find any evidence of fumes or another cause for the people getting ill.
Source: http://articles.philly.com/2012-07-10/news/32619855_1_plane-fire-department-crews-fall

15. *July 10, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Southbound lanes of Interstate 805 closed in San Diego.** Interstate 805 through San Diego was closed to southbound traffic at rush-hour July 10 when a man was spotted sitting on the catwalk under a freeway sign attached to an overpass. The closure at Balboa Avenue was ordered and still in effect 5 hours later. The man was described in a California Highway Patrol incident report as a potential "jumper." Traffic was diverted onto surface streets as a backup stretched for miles.
Source: http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/lanow/2012/07/interstate-805-southbound-lanes.html

16. *July 10, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **4-alarm fire in Fishtown disrupts SEPTA El service.** Trains were running again on the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority's (SEPTA) Market-Frankford Line after service was suspended due to a massive fire in the Fishtown neighborhood of Philadelphia, WPVI 6 Philadelphia reported July 10. Neighbors described a powerful explosion followed by fierce, heavy flames shooting from a vacant Fishtown warehouse on Front Street near Girard Avenue. The blaze was under control about 2 hours after it was reported. Firefighters rushed to contain the blaze that quickly consumed the vacant 4-story structure, and to prevent it from spreading to the SEPTA. The rail shutdown severely disrupted the morning commute for SEPTA customers. The route 15 trolley was also shut down through much of the day.
Source: http://abclocal.go.com/wpvi/story?section=news/local&id=8730589

17. *July 10, KNBC 4 Los Angeles* – (California) **Van carrying oxygen tanks catches fire, shuts down 57 Freeway.** A Sigalert was lifted for the 57 Freeway near Katella Avenue in Orange County, California, July 10 after a truck carrying oxygen tanks caught fire on the freeway, California Highway Patrol (CHP) officials said. CHP communications indicated a moving van carrying the tanks exploded, though officials said they could not confirm that. The grass on the side of the freeway next to the burning truck reportedly caught fire. The incident closed the entire freeway for less than 20 minutes. The southbound lanes reopened first, and all lanes reopened within 2 hours.
Source: http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/Traffic-Orange-County-Anaheim-Fire-Truck-Oxygen-Tank-Sigalert-162004935.html

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## Postal and Shipping Sector

18. *July 11, LaCross Tribune* – (Wisconsin) **Man found guilty in post office threat.** A La Crosse, Wisconsin man charged with threatening to blow up the post office was found guilty July 10 after entering an insanity plea. A judge found him guilty on a felony charge of causing a bomb scare. On August 31, 2011, he demanded to speak to an Internal Revenue Service agent on the second-floor of the La Crosse post office before saying he would "blow this place up," according to the complaint. He fled the building and returned for a second time to a U.S. Representative's office yelling and demanding to see the Congressman, who was in the office, the complaint stated. One of the Congressman's staff members blocked the defendant from getting into the office and pushed him out the door. The defendant then threatened they were all "gonners," according to the complaint. A disorderly conduct charge was dismissed but can be considered during his July 30 sentencing in La Crosse County Circuit Court.
Source: http://lacrossetribune.com/news/man-found-guilty-in-post-office-threat/article_6de8653c-cb0e-11e1-a4b6-001a4bcf887a.html?comment_form=true

## Agriculture and Food Sector

19. *July 11, Food Safety News* – (Wisconsin) **FDA takes action against WI livestock dealer for drug residues.** In response to a permanent injunction filed by the U.S. Department of Justice on behalf of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), a Wisconsin livestock company and its owner entered into a consent decree of permanent injunction over alleged illegal drug residues in cows meant for human consumption, Food Safety News reported July 14. According to the complaint, Dan Nolan Livestock LLC and its owner did not maintain adequate animal treatment records concerning drug treatment of food animals. In a release July 10, the FDA said its inspectors also found the firm and its owner used "new animal drugs illegally, and did not adequately distinguish between medicated and non-medicated animals for sale for use as human food." The FDA had inspected Dan Nolan before after the U.S. Department of Agriculture found violative tissue residues in the defendants' animals. The FDA found Dan Nolan had dispensed drugs to animals without a valid prescription from a licensed veterinarian or as prescribed on the label.
Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/07/fda-takes-action-against-wi-livestock-dealer-for-drug-residues/

20. *July 10, University of Arkansas* – (National) **Extreme drought strengthens hold on Arkansas.** Extreme drought increased its reach to 35.96 percent of Arkansas, up from just below 32 percent the previous week, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor Map the week of July 2, the University of Arkansas reported July 10. The State is so dry, the fire danger remains extreme in all 75 counties and burn bans have been enacted in 72 of the State's 75 counties. Pastures that are dirt and stubble, "are what we're seeing here," said the Madison County extension staff chair for the University of Arkansas System

Division of Agriculture. "I don't know what the cows are eating." He said many of the ranchers he has spoken with have given up trying to find hay and are selling their cows. Source: http://www.agprofessional.com/news/Extreme-drought-strengthens-hold-on-Arkansas-161920625.html

21. *July 10, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Nebraska) **Beef feedlot near Broken Bow, Neb., agrees to pay $145,000 civil penalty for illegal discharges into Mud Creek.** Adams Land and Cattle Company, a beef feedlot near Broken Bow, Nebraska, agreed to pay a $145,000 civil penalty to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for violating the federal Clean Water Act and its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit related to discharges of pollutants into Mud Creek, the EPA reported July 10. In December 2010, the EPA inspected Adams' facility. The facility confined about 83,000 cattle at the time of the inspection. Inspectors reviewed facility operations, required record-keeping, and waste management practices, and also visually inspected the facility. EPA inspectors founds Adams allowed its waste storage basins to overfill with manure solids and sediment to the point they could no longer store runoff from large rain events. The EPA concluded the facility discharged processed wastewater to an unnamed tributary of Mud Creek on 13 occasions between April 2007 and October 2010. The discharges were a result of inadequate storage capacity in holding basins, lack of controls necessary to prevent the tributary from flooding the holding ponds, and/or failure of piping associated with land application practices. Adams estimated that about 140 million gallons of wastewater was released during these discharges.
Source: http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/d0cf6618525a9efb85257359003fb69d/f8c318528a943fd785257a370070c58c!OpenDocument

22. *July 10, KYTV 3 Springfield* – (Missouri) **Governor seeks farm disaster declaration for every Missouri county.** July 10, Missouri's governor requested the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) designate all 114 counties in Missouri as primary agricultural disaster areas. The designation would permit assistance from the USDA's Farm Service Agency to farmers in those counties that have suffered losses to crops and livestock as a result of the ongoing drought throughout the State. June 25, the governor requested the Farm Service Agency assess agricultural damage across the State due to the ongoing extremely dry conditions. The assessment found all 114 counties meet the disaster threshold of having losses of at least 30 percent of the estimated yield of a single crop or where individual farmers suffer productions losses of more than 30 percent.
Source: http://www.ky3.com/news/ky3-governor-seeks-farm-disaster-declaration-for-every-missouri-county-20120710,0,2101139.story

23. *July 10, Hartford Courant* – (Connecticut) **State again to study lobster die-off.** Lobsters were continuing to disappear in the Long Island Sound, and Connecticut State scientists said they were trying once again to find out exactly why and take steps to turn around the decline, the Hartford Courant reported July 10. Lobster "landings'' — the amount that commercial lobstermen pull in from their traps — dropped from 3.7 million pounds in 1998 to 142,000 pounds in 2011, the Connecticut Department of

Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) said in a statement July 10. The study's focus will be on the role of pesticides, run-off, general chemical contamination, higher water temperatures, and bacterial infections in the die-off. DEEP's commissioner said the lobster industry in Connecticut "is in danger of collapse.''
Source: http://www.courant.com/health/connecticut/hc-lobster-decline-study-0711-20120710,0,4184954.story

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## Water Sector

24. *July 11, Houston Chronicle* – (Texas) **Galveston issues boil-water notice after E. coli found in sample.** Galveston, Texas officials issued a boil-water notice July 10 for island residents and businesses after routine testing of drinking water tested positive for E. coli. The notice includes all residents and businesses on Galveston Island and in the city of Jamaica Beach and on Pelican Island, officials said. Of three samples taken, one tested positive for indicator bacteria, not E. coli, officials said. The area was re-sampled the same day as mandated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, and State law requires the boil-water notice. The city tests drinking water samples from 32 sites twice a month, officials said. The entire Galveston Island has not been under a boil-water notice since 2008, after Hurricane Ike.
Source: http://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/article/Galveston-issues-boil-water-notice-after-E-coli-3697762.php

25. *July 11, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **Duquesne water main break disrupts life for residents.** About 1,200 Duquesne, Pennsylvania residents will boil their water before drinking or cooking with it until July 11 because a July 9 water main break left many businesses and residents with little or no water for most of the day. Crews from the Duquesne Water Department finished replacing the broken section July 10, though residents remained under a boil-water advisory for 24 hours while the system refilled with treated water, the mayor said. Crews flushed fire hydrants June 10 to clear air and sediment from the system. The Duquesne Volunteer Fire Department was providing drinkable and nondrinkable water for cooking, cleaning, and flushing at its firehouse until the boil-water advisory is lifted.
Source: http://triblive.com/news/2182797-74/fire-duquesne-schleifer-tuesday-break-residents-department-drinkable-peter-shultz

26. *July 10, Grass Valley Union* – (California) **City of Grass Valley faces $110k penalty over sewage spills.** The executive officer of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board issued a penalty of $110,850 to the city of Grass Valley in Nevada County, California, for four spills of raw sewage from the city's sanitary sewer collection system, according to the Grass Valley Union July 10. The spills, which took place in October 2011 and March 2012, released 71,510 gallons of sewage into Wolf Creek. The largest spill, in October 2011, was due to human error during upgrades at a lift station and more than 67,000 gallons of raw sewage spilled into Wolf Creek before crews arrived and found pumps were not operating. The March 2012 spills were a result of heavy rain that led to excess infiltration into the sewer system, exceeding the

system's capacity and spilling more than 4,500 gallons of raw sewage in 3 spills. The officer based the penalty, in part, on the amount on the environmental harm caused by the spills, the city's cooperation, the lack of a history of violations, and the city's ability to pay the penalty.
Source:
http://www.theunion.com/article/20120710/BREAKINGNEWS/120719996/1053&parentprofile=1053

27. *July 10, Associated Press* – (Texas) **Boil-water notice lifted for Temple residents.** Temple, Texas officials lifted a boil-water advisory July 10 imposed after a loss of power to the city water treatment plant. Officials said the city water system recovered from the loss of power from a lightning strike July 7. In a statement, they said test results showed no contaminants in the system's water and that it is safe for human consumption. The test results also showed no need for flushing systems. Residents of the city of about 66,000 had been boiling water for drinking, cooking, and making ice since July 8.
Source: http://www.myfoxdfw.com/story/18987567/boil-water-notice-continues-for-temple-residents

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## Public Health and Healthcare Sector

28. *July 11, Salem News* – (Massachusetts) **5 taken to hospital due to chemical odor.** Five staff members at New England Rehabilitation Hospital's facility at the former Hunt Center in Danvers, Massachusetts, were taken to a hospital as a precaution July 9. Some staff members complained of dizziness and lightheadedness from fumes from a cleaning chemical. Fire and police officials responded to the facility after the incident was reported. The odor was traced back to a cleaning chemical. The 20-bed inpatient facility serves as a satellite hospital to New England Rehabilitation Hospital, which is based in Woburn.
Source: http://www.salemnews.com/local/x748659551/5-taken-to-hospital-due-to-chemical-odor

29. *July 10, KSLA 12 Shreveport* – (Louisiana) **Flooding damages hospital in Mansfield.** Flooding damaged sections of the Desoto Regional Health Systems in Mansfield, Louisiana, July 9. Administrators and staff were working to clean up the water. The hospital's chief executive officer said more than 4 inches of water washed through parts of the cancer center and administrative rooms inside the old section of the complex. The water started to accumulate around the building from the overflow of street drainage that lines the hospital. Seven beds in the 38-bed hospital were closed down to repair damages, and baseboards were removed while holes were drilled into the walls to prevent mold. Servpro was called and started placing fans and humidifiers in the building within an hour of the flooding. The city of Mansfield dropped off sand

bags for the hospital to use in case more rain hit the area.
Source: http://www.ksla.com/story/18994963/flooding-damages-hospital-in-mansfield

30. *July 10, Fort Worth Star-Telegram* – (Texas) **Arlington police seek help in 24-hour pharmacy robberies.** Texas police are seeking help in identifying robbers believed responsible for the hold-ups of several 24-hour pharmacies since February, in which nine stores — eight Walgreens and one CVS store — were targeted, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported July 10. Six have occurred in Arlington, most recently June 23, and the others in Fort Worth and Grand Prairie. In each case, the suspect enters the pharmacy between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m., displays a gun to the clerk, and walks away with money and cigarettes, Arlington police said. Investigators think the suspect may be working with others.
Source: http://blogs.star-telegram.com/crime_time/2012/07/arlington-police-seek-help-in-24-hour-pharmacy-robberies.html

31. *July 10, CNN* – (National) **FDA announces new safety plan for opioid use.** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced new safety measures for manufacturers and doctors who prescribe a class of opioid medication used to treat moderate to severe chronic pain. Opioids are powerful, but they can also cause serious harm, including overdose and death. "In 2008, nearly 15,000 Americans died where opioids were involved," said an FDA commissioner. "In 2009, that number went up to 16,000." To address the issue, the FDA provided a blueprint to more than 20 companies that manufacture opioid analgesics on how to educate physicians who prescribe them. The guidelines will include data on weighing the risks and benefits of opioid therapy, choosing patients appropriately, and managing, monitoring and counseling patients. The education will also include data on how to recognize evidence of opioid misuse, abuse, and addiction. Manufacturers will also have to provide an "easier to read" information sheet for patients. The FDA expects manufacturers to meet their obligations by giving educational grants to drug education providers, who will develop and deliver the training for physicians and heath care workers, as they do with other drugs.
Source: http://thechart.blogs.cnn.com/2012/07/10/fda-announces-new-safety-plan-for-opioid-use/

32. *July 9, WBAY 2 Green Bay* – (Wisconsin) **Man found guilty of Planned Parenthood arson.** A federal jury July 9 found a man suspected of torching a Planned Parenthood facility in Grand Chute, Wisconsin, guilty on charges of arson and damage to property. During testimony, the defendant said he did not intend to burn down the building, but to "release the children". He said when he lit the building on fire he "saw souls coming out of the windows". He faced up to 21 years in prison and $350,000 in fines.
Source: http://www.wbay.com/story/18984795/2012/07/09/grady-found-guilty-of-planned-parenthood-arson

33. *July 9, KXAS 5 Dallas-Fort Worth* – (Texas) **Pharmacy burglar drops in from roof.** Surveillance cameras caught a man lowering himself through the roof of White Rock Pharmacy in Dallas and and another unseen person handing him a bag before he went through the pharmacy, taking mainly painkillers, including hydrocodone July 9.

In less than 5 minutes the burglar was able to climb back up through the hole and run off before police arrived. The pharmacy store owner stopped carrying high-strength painkillers in order to deter burglars from breaking in, and reinforced both entrances after two previous burglary attempts.
Source: http://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local/Pharmacy-Burglar-Drops-in-From-Roof-161827755.html

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## Government Facilities Sector

34. *July 11, Associated Press* – (Oregon) **Oregon lawmakers worry capitol vulnerable to a quake.** The Oregon State Legislature named a committee to figure out how to carry out and pay for earthquake protection and other work for the capitol in Salem, the Associated Press reported July 11. The fix entails putting shock absorbers beneath the capitol. The cost is more than $100 million for seismic work, part of an estimated $300 million to carry out a master plan for the structure. "It could be an earthquake of less than 8.0 (magnitude) that could bring this building down," said a retired architect who has advised the legislature and helped to write a master plan for the building. "We want to make sure the building won't collapse." During legislative sessions, when the capitol is at its most crowded, the staff size can reach 700, and visitors can number in the thousands.
Source: http://www.kval.com/news/local/Oregon-lawmakers-worry-Capitol-vulnerable-to-a-quake-162000495.html

35. *July 11, Seminole Heights Patch* – (Florida) **City to use unusual security measure during RNC.** Tampa, Florida, will use the eyes of Waste Management workers to report suspicious activity surrounding the Republican National Convention (RNC) in August, according to a July 9 article in the Tampa Bay Times. "Waste Watch" is a public safety project first put into motion by the Waste Management corporation in 2004 during the RNC in New York City. As a major corporation, the company is said to possibly be a target themselves of anarchists who will try to intermingle with any protests that take place during the event. The company currently serves more than 78,000 Tampa Bay customers, both commercial and residential. Specifically, drivers will be paying close attention to anyone that shows an unusual amount of interest in Waste Management bins and looking for people living in abandoned homes.
Source: http://seminoleheights.patch.com/articles/city-to-use-unusual-security-measure-during-rnc

36. *July 10, NextGov* – (National) **Threats lurk among Pentagon's sprawling computer networks.** To heighten security and lower costs, the Defense Department is attempting to build a "joint information environment" that would simplify military computing, officials July 10 told military personnel at a talk sponsored by Government Executive Media Group. The goal by 2017 is to consolidate information technology contracts across services, move off desktops to online services accessible from any device, and create what Cyber Command calls a "cyber operational picture." The existing intrusion prevention system "is not providing that real-time information that we need," the

director of C4 Systems and Cyber Command chief information officer said during an interview after the event. A comprehensive snapshot of anomalous network activities and instant Defense-wide access to threat information from softer targets, such as utilities, could reveal a potential coordinated attack, he said. The Host-Based Security System is a starting point for reaching this wide-angle view, he said. The system is deployed throughout the military services and agencies but is not fully operational "with all the modules enabled." The statistics collected from many of the Defense organizations must be manually combined, he added.
Source: http://www.nextgov.com/cybersecurity/2012/07/threats-lurk-among-pentagons-sprawling-computer-networks/56700/

37. *July 10, Beatrice Daily Sun* – (Nebraska) **More security to be added at middle school, elementary schools.** The Beatrice Public Schools Board of Education heard a plan at its July 9 meeting to enhance security at Beatrice, Nebraska, elementary and middle schools. "Our safety audit year after year has recommended that we make changes to our elementary- and middle-school facilities, because visitors or intruders can come in and have access to students before they reach an adult and we don't have secured access for our students," said the director of student programs. The safety features planned, which will cost $13,000 for all five facilities, include locking doors, cameras, and an intercom system. The security system cameras will be accessible via multiple devices, allowing officials to monitor visitors from a laptop computer, cell phone, or other mobile device. A change made to the emergency alert protocol requires the principal to contact the superintendent in an emergency. The superintendent is then responsible for notifying other school buildings of the incident, if deemed appropriate.
Source: http://beatricedailysun.com/news/local/more-security-to-be-added-at-middle-school-elementary-schools/article_75e9bce8-9e3c-534c-9cb8-98cc722d7f21.html

38. *July 10, Reuters* – (National) **FBI warned U.S. Labor Department data might be leaked.** The U.S. Labor Department's recent tightening of security around sensitive economic data came after the FBI and market regulators expressed worries that the data could be leaked, according to a report prepared by Sandia National Laboratories and posted on the Labor Department's (DOL) Web site July 10. The report highlighted concerns that financial institutions had gained access to the DOL's press room to get an early glimpse of economic reports. The Sandia report was dated August 2011 and the DOL announced in April it was clamping down on security in lock ups. Starting in July, reporters for media outlets must empty their pockets and store their effects in lockers before entering the DOL's press room. Other rules on how computers are used go into effect in September. Also under the new rules, some media organizations will no longer be allowed in the lockups. "Likely adversaries ... are profit-driven, technically sophisticated individuals who may have considerable resources at their disposal," the report said. These people have "a high rating for cyber knowledge capability because of the highly technical nature of algorithmic trading."
Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/07/11/usa-economy-data-idUSL2E8IB00H20120711

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## Emergency Services Sector

39. *July 11, Central Florida News 13 Orlando* – (Florida) **Palm Bay Police Department evacuated due to smoke.** The police department building in Palm Bay, Florida, was evacuated twice due to smoke in the building July 10. Police officials said the smoke was caused by an upstairs computer room. Fire dispatchers received a call from the alarm company. A contractor working inside an upstairs computer room also reported seeing smoke coming from a row of machines. The police communications center is located adjacent to the computer room and dispatch operations were relocated to the mobile command vehicle outside in the parking area of the building. 9-1-1 calls and non-emergency calls were temporarily diverted to Brevard County. A short time later, firefighters cleared the building and another alarm sounded in the same area. Smoke had filled the computer room and the halon-suppression system deployed. Firefighters began ventilating the area and the assistant fire marshal was further investigating possible causes including the air conditioning system. Police administrative functions including access to public records were temporarily suspended until the situation was resolved.
Source:
http://www.cfnews13.com/content/news/cfnews13/news/article.html/content/news/articles/cfn/2012/7/11/palm_bay_police_depa.html

40. *July 10, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **Thousands of wildfire warnings undelivered in Colo.** More than 20,000 evacuation calls were never delivered to residents in the path of a wildfire that destroyed about 350 homes around Colorado Springs, Colorado in June, records show, according to the Associated Press, July 10. It was the second time in 5 months that Colorado residents said they did not get calls to pack up and run as flames raced toward their homes. Officials in El Paso and Teller counties were trying to determine why two-thirds of the 32,000 impacted residents did not receive calls during the Waldo Canyon fire that began June 23. Nearly 10,000 attempts to reach residents in Colorado Springs were abandoned after the calls were not completed, and more than 11,000 calls were not answered, according to records obtained by KMGH 7 Denver. Cassidian Communications, the reverse notification provider, said some calls were not completed because of heavy volume. Phone company officials said their phones were working fine at the time. A spokesman for El Paso/Teller County E911 said his agency will hold meetings to discuss the problem. The system had 13,000 people registered in its cellphone database before the wildfire, officials said. That jumped to 52,000 as homes were burned, and at one point, 1,000 residents per hour were registering their mobile numbers, the Denver Post reported. About 12 percent of the people authorities intended to notify didn't get a warning, a sheriff's spokesman said. The company that handles that system, Baton Rouge, Louisiana-based FirstCall Network Inc., said the process worked exactly as it should have.
Source: http://columbustelegram.com/news/national/thousands-of-wildfire-warnings-undelivered-in-colo/article_bfcdd02f-8b92-56fc-b5d6-51bfd1dd9543.html

41. *July 10, Charleston MetroNews* – (West Virginia) **Regional jails had close calls during storm.** Things are mostly back to normal at West Virginia's regional jails that were impacted by the June 29 severe storm that crushed the Mountain State, Charleston MetroNews reported July 10. The Regional Jail Authority acting executive director said when the storm hit there were immediately power and water issues at 7 of the 10 regional jails. He said each jail has a generator but the problem came when they tried to get additional fuel for the generators. The staffs at the regional jails were also stretched thin after the storm event. He said a lot of workers could not get to work.
Source:
http://www.wvmetronews.com/news.cfm?func=displayfullstory&storyid=53762

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## Information Technology Sector

42. *July 11, H Security* – (International) **Formspring question-and-answer platform compromised.** More than 400,000 passwords for Formspring accounts were compromised. This resulted in several million password hashes for the question-and-answer platform made public on the Internet. The H's associates at heise Security discovered the Formspring hashes at the end of the week of July 6, but could not determine the origin of the data. Shortly afterward, a reader contacted The H with the crucial piece of information that hundreds of passwords contained the term "formspring." After being informed of this discovery, the operators of the platform managed to trace the leak to a development server that allowed an attacker to access a production server. They said they successfully closed it. Formspring also reset all user passwords. The company used the opportunity to switch its hashing method from SHA-256 (salted) to bcrypt, a method that can currently only be cracked with substantial computing power and, therefore, an attack would take a significant amount of time. About half of the 400,000 hashes were already reconstructed by password crackers.
Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Formspring-question-and-answer-platform-compromised-1636642.html

43. *July 11, Computerworld* – (International) **Microsoft urges death of Windows gadgets as researchers plan disclosures.** Two weeks before researchers are to disclose bugs in Windows "gadgets" at Black Hat, Microsoft acknowledged unspecified security vulnerabilities in the software supported by Vista and Windows 7. To deal with the vulnerabilities, Microsoft provided a way to cripple all gadgets and disable the "sidebar" engine that runs them. "The purpose of this advisory is to notify customers that Microsoft is aware of vulnerabilities in insecure Gadgets affecting the Windows Sidebar on supported versions of Windows Vista and Windows 7," Microsoft said in a security warning issued July 10. Microsoft did not detail the vulnerabilities or explain why it was letting users ditch gadgets, but the move may be linked to an upcoming presentation at Black Hat, the annual security conference held in Las Vegas. July 26, two researchers are scheduled to present research on gadget flaws and exploits.
Source:
http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9228997/Microsoft_urges_death_of_Windows_gadgets_as_researchers_plan_disclosures

44. *July 11, Help Net Security* – (International) **Targeted attacks focus on small businesses.** Thirty-six percent of all targeted attacks (58 per day) during the last 6 months were directed at businesses with 250 or fewer employees, according to Symantec. During the first half of 2012, the total number of daily targeted attacks continued to increase at a minimum rate of 24 percent with an average of 151 targeted attacks being blocked each day during May and June. Large enterprises consisting of more than 2,500 employees are still receiving the greatest number of attacks, with an average 69 being blocked each day. "There appears to be a direct correlation between the rise in attacks against smaller businesses and a drop in attacks against larger ones. It almost seems attackers are diverting their resources directly from the one group to the other," said a cybersecurity intelligence manager at Symantec. "It may be that your company is not the primary target, but an attacker may use your organization as a stepping-stone to attack another company," he said. The defense industry was the targeted industry of choice in the first half of 2012, with an average of 7.3 attacks per day. The chemical/pharmaceutical and manufacturing sectors maintain the number two and three spots, respectively. These targets clearly received a smaller percentage of overall attention than in 2011, but the chemical/pharmaceutical sector is still hit by one in every five targeted attacks, while manufacturing still accounts for almost 10 percent of all targeted attacks.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=13225&utm

45. *July 10, Threatpost* – (International) **More malware using a remote payload discovered on Google Play.** Symantec warned of new malware masquerading as two applications on Google Play that claimed up to 100,000 victims before the trojan was removed. "What is most interesting about this Trojan is the fact that the threat managed to stay on Google Play for such a long time, clocking up some serious download figures before being discovered," a Symantec researcher said July 10. "Our suspicion is that this was probably due to the remote payload." In 2011, the researcher wrote about this evasion-driven technique, in which the payload is broken into separate modules and delivered independently, making it easier to hide and inject in other apps. In the case of this malware, called Android. Dropdialer, the first stage was posted on Google Play. Once installed, it downloaded an additional package via Dropbox called Activator.apk that sends SMS messages to a premium-rate number tied to Eastern Europe.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/more-malware-using-remote-payload-discovered-google-play-071012

46. *July 10, Krebs on Security* – (International) **Plesk 0day for sale as thousands of sites hacked.** Hackers in the criminal underground are selling an exploit that extracts the master password needed to control Parallels' Plesk Panel, a software suite used to remotely administer hosted servers at a large number of Internet hosting firms. The attack comes amid reports from multiple sources indicating a spike in Web site compromises that appear to trace back to Plesk installations. A miscreant on a very exclusive cybercrime forum has been selling the ability to hack any site running Plesk Panel version 10.4.4 and earlier. The hacker, a longtime member of the forum who has a history of selling reliable software exploits, even developed a point-and-click tool he claims can recover the administrator password from a vulnerable Plesk installation, as

well as read and write files to the Plesk Panel. The exploit is being sold for $8,000, and according to the seller, the vulnerability it targets remains unpatched. Multiple other members appear to have used it and vouched for its value.
Source: http://krebsonsecurity.com/2012/07/plesk-0day-for-sale-as-thousands-of-sites-hacked/

47. *July 10, eSecurity Planet* – (International) **July Patch Tuesday: XML 5 still vulnerable.** For a month now, Microsoft users have known about a critical XML flaw that has left their systems at risk. In Microsoft's July Patch Tuesday update July 10, that XML flaw was partially addressed in one of nine security bulletins issued by Microsoft. The bulletins also address critical updates for flaws in Internet Explorer and Microsoft Data Access Components (MDAC). The MS12-043 bulletin details the Microsoft XML Core Services vulnerability first revealed in the June Patch Tuesday update. While Microsoft is now issuing a patch, it does not cover all possible vulnerable XML scenarios. The patch fixes Microsoft XML Core Services 3.0, 4.0, and 6.0 — but it does not patch version 5.0, which is still widely used and deployed in Microsoft's Office products. However, Microsoft is not leaving its users entirely exposed to the XML 5 vulnerability — the company issued a fix-it patch for XML 5.
Source: http://www.esecurityplanet.com/windows-security/july-patch-tuesday-xml-5-still-vulnerable.html

48. *July 10, Inquirer* – (International) **Hackers could target Chrome users' webcams, security experts warn.** Google announced a beta version of its Chrome Web browser in a blog post July 10, but experts warned of security threats it might cause for users. The Chrome Beta release grants Web applications access to users' Web cams and microphones without a plugin through the Getusermedia application programming interface (API) — a method that allows users to interact with HTML5 applications through video and audio devices. However, the director of security research and communication at Trend Micro warned that Getusermedia will be attractive to criminals.
Source: http://www.theinquirer.net/inquirer/news/2190523/hackers-target-chrome-users-webcams-security-experts-warn

49. *July 10, Threatpost* – (International) **Microsoft revokes trust in 28 of its own certificates.** In the wake of the Flame malware attack, which involved the use of a fraudulent Microsoft digital certificate, the software company reviewed its certificates and found nearly 30 that were not as secure as it would like and revoked them. Microsoft also released its new updater for certificates as a critical update for Windows Vista and later versions as part of the July 10 July Patch Tuesday. Microsoft did not say what the now-untrusted certificates were used for, but company officials said there were a total of 28 certificates affected by the move. Many of the affected certificates are listed simply as "Microsoft Online Svcs." However, the company said it was confident none of the certificates were compromised or used maliciously.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/microsoft-revokes-trust-28-its-own-certificates-071012

50. *July 10, Ars Technica* – (International) **Web exploit figures out what OS victim is using, customizes payload.** Security researchers found a live Web exploit that detects if the target is running Windows, Mac OS X, or Linux and drops a different trojan for each platform. The attack was spotted by researchers from antivirus provider F-Secure on a Columbian transport Web site, presumably after third-party attackers compromised it. The unidentified site then displayed a signed Java applet that checked if the user's computer is running Windows, Mac OS X, or Linux. Based on the outcome, the attack then downloads the appropriate files for each platform. The exploit, however, was unable to infect modern Macs unless they were modified to run software known as Rosetta. The software allows Macs using Intel processors to run applications written for Macs using PowerPC processors, which were phased out 5 years ago. Source: http://arstechnica.com/security/2012/07/cross-platform-web-exploit/

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## Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at sos@us-cert.gov or visit their Web site: http://www.us-cert.gov

Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: https://www.it-isac.org

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## Communications Sector

51. *July 10, Duluth News Tribune* – (Minnesota) **Man arrested after allegedly threatening to blow up Charter cable TV building in Duluth.** A Duluth, Minnesota man is in jail pending felony charges of making terroristic threats after allegedly saying he was going to burn or blow up the Charter Communications building in Duluth, then showing up at that facility July 10. He was upset over his Internet service, Duluth police said in a news release. He was being held at the St. Louis County Jail. Police were called to the building after reports of a suspicious vehicle outside the building, according to scanner reports. The incident began when a Charter contact center adviser received a call from a Duluth customer threatening to harm the Duluth office and its employees, said a Charter spokeswoman. Employees in the Duluth office were notified and were evacuated to a safe location, she said. A Charter technical supervisor in Duluth had seen a man in a pickup truck parked in the lot in front of the building, she said. She said the man left the truck before police arrived, but he was apprehended and taken into custody.
Source: http://www.duluthnewstribune.com/event/article/id/236513/group/homepage/

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## Commercial Facilities Sector

52. *July 11, KARE 11 Minneapolis* – (Minnesota) **Fire chases hundreds from Edina apartment building.** The fire chief of Edina, Minnesota, said hundreds of residents were displaced July 10 after a fire destroyed three apartments and damaged nearby units. Crews were called to the Parklawn Estates and found flames in the building's interior and exterior. The fire chief said the blaze began in a first floor unit and quickly burned upwards and destroyed units on the second and third floors as well. Other apartments in the vicinity suffered minor smoke and water damage. One firefighter was injured fighting the fire and taken to a hospital for treatment. Electricity and gas service was shut off for the entire complex, and forced residents to temporarily find shelter elsewhere.
Source: http://www.kare11.com/news/article/982704/391/Fire-chases-hundreds-from-Edina-apartment-building

53. *July 11, WNBC 4 New York* – (New Jersey) **Investigators probe cause of NJ inferno that left 100 homeless.** Authorities tried to determine what caused an inferno that destroyed two buildings at an apartment complex in Woodbridge, New Jersey. No one was injured in the July 10 nine-alarm fire at the Woodbridge Village apartments, but firefighters gutted two buildings after the blaze tore through and made them uninhabitable. The fire quickly spread through buildings 36 and 37, authorities said. It appeared the blaze began in one unit in building 36. A common roof enabled the fire to spread quickly and prolonged the burn time, fire officials said. Two hundred firefighters were on scene to contain the fast-moving fire. Fifty units were destroyed in the fire, which left at least 100 people homeless.
Source: http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Woodbridge-NJ-Apartment-Complex-Fire-305-Village-Drive-161975625.html

54. *July 11, KHOU 11 Houston* – (Texas) **5-alarm fire destroys historic Trav's Roadhouse in Fort Bend County.** Flames shot as high as 100 feet into the air as a five-alarm fire swept through a popular bar in Fort Bend County, Texas, July 11. Trav's Roadhouse was packed with people when flames sent them from the building. Employees and bar patrons first smelled smoke, then they grabbed fire extinguishers and whatever they could to put out the fire, but the flames were too intense and moved too quickly. Firefighters from Richmond, Sugar Land, Needville, and Fairchild joined together to battle the massive fire and pumped nearly 100,000 gallons of water to douse out the flames.
Source: http://www.khou.com/news/local/5-alarm-fire-destroys-historic-Travs-Roadhouse-in-Fort-Bend-County-162048165.html

55. *July 11, Allentown Morning Call* – (Pennsylvania) **Back-road bar '57 Hotel' burns to ground in Monroe County.** The 57 Hotel Inc. near Kunkletown, Pennsylvania, burned to the ground July 11 and destroyed a landmark and long-time social gathering area for locals in Carbon and Monroe counties. The fire broke out in the bar in Eldred Township. Firefighters found flames burning through the roof of the two-story wood building. The rural location in Carbon County called for multiple tanker trucks and fire personnel from fire departments in Carbon, Monroe, and Northampton counties.

Flames kept firefighters in a nearly 3-hour struggle until the fire was brought under control.
Source: http://www.mcall.com/news/breaking/mc-f-57-hotel-kunkletown-fire-burned-to-ground-20120711,0,6608507.story

56. *July 10, KSAT 12 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Fire causes major damage at RV storage facility.** Rows of recreational vehicles, campers, and boats were destroyed after a fire tore through a recreational vehicle storage facility in northwest Harris County, Texas, July 10. Firefighters said they received reports of an explosion and fire. When they arrived, dozens of vehicles and a 75-foot covered-parking area were on fire. The fire was contained 3 hours later. Firefighters said the damage was estimated to be nearly $300,000. The fire was stopped before it spread to a neighboring lumber and pallet yard.
Source: http://www.ksat.com/news/Fire-causes-major-damage-at-RV-storage-facility/-/478452/15460388/-/d5k1v1z/-/index.html

57. *July 10, KXAN 21 Austin* – (Texas) **Mall evacuated due to high CO readings.** The Austin Fire Department was called to a shopping mall in Austin, Texas, July 10 after high levels of carbon monoxide were detected. Shoppers and workers of the Barton Creek Square mall were evacuated in one wing of the facility. Two people were taken to hospitals. About 25 stores were affected by the evacuation. The stores were all reopened.
Source: http://www.kxan.com/dpp/news/local/austin/mall-evacuated-due-to-high-co-readings

58. *July 10, Aiken Leader* – (South Carolina) **Church fire required nearly 100 firefighters to battle blaze.** Nearly 100 firefighters from across Aiken County, South Carolina, battled a church fire July 10. The Hayden Baptist Church in Aiken was struck by lightning, according to the Couchton Volunteer Fire Department. Nearly every fire department throughout Aiken County helped battle the fire. The South Carolina Highway Patrol blocked off the entire road for several hours until the firefighters gained control of the fire. The building was a total loss.
Source: http://aikenleader.villagesoup.com/news/story/church-fire-required-nearly-100-firefighters-to-battle-blaze/858875

59. *July 10, MLive.com* – (Michigan) **5-hour standoff at Kalamazoo hotel ends with 2 arrests.** A more than 5-hour standoff at a hotel in Kalamazoo, Michigan, ended with the arrest of a man and a woman, both of whom had outstanding warrants. Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety officers were called to AmericInn hotel July 10 where a man resisted arrest by barricading himself into a room on the third floor. More than a dozen police cars surrounded the building, and hotel occupants were evacuated during the incident. The Kalamazoo Public Safety C.O.P.S. unit attempted to arrest the man on an outstanding drug warrant when the standoff began. Negotiators were able to get the two subjects to leave the room peacefully, authorities said. The man made threats to damage the building and harm the woman inside the room with him, so a SWAT Team also responded.

Source: http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2012/07/5-hour_standoff_ends_with_2_ar.html

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## National Monuments and Icons Sector

60. *July 11, Examiner.com* – (Colorado) **Worst Colorado wildfire 100 percent contained after hundreds of homes destroyed.** The Waldo Canyon Fire, the worst wildfire in Colorado history, was declared 100 percent contained after destroying hundreds of homes, officials announced July 10. This comes more than 15 days after the fire first started June 23, which burned 18,247 acres and destroyed 346 homes in the Colorado Springs area. At its peak, an estimated 32,000 people were evacuated. Two people died in their homes and several firefighters suffered minor injuries. Increased moisture and rainfall over several days reduced the wildfire danger across the area. The Colorado Springs fire marshal planned to lift the burn ban July 11 with some restrictions, KKTV 11 Colorado Springs reported.
Source: http://www.examiner.com/article/worst-colorado-wildfire-100-contained-after-hundreds-of-homes-destroyed

61. *July 11, Billings Gazette* – (Montana) **Wildfire sparks northeast of Livingston.** The Willow Creek Command fire in Park County, Montana, was estimated at 1,000 acres. It was sparked July 10, the Billings Gazette reported July 11. About 30 evacuations were ordered for areas North of Old Clyde Road and East of Willow Creek Road northeast of Livingston. The fire was sparked when lightning hit a tree, and it spread about 7 miles along the ridges of the Bridger Mountain range, a Park County commissioner said.
Source: http://billingsgazette.com/news/state-and-regional/montana/wildfire-sparks-northeast-of-livingston/article_0fd3c334-d87d-5df6-81b3-ec1bc194a8bd.html

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## Dams Sector

62. *July 11, Grand Forks Herald* – (Minnesota; North Dakota) **Dike upgrades to slow East Grand Forks traffic.** A portion of two important commuter routes in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, Demers Avenue and Bygland Road, will be closed for 2 to 3 weeks due to construction, the Grand Forks Herald reported July 11. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is replacing the iron sill plates beneath the street that helps seal the concrete floodwall, according to the East Grand Forks public works director. He said the Corps will remove the sill plates and replace them with concrete because heavy traffic over the area created a hole that could have allowed water to seep in.
Source: http://www.grandforksherald.com/event/article/id/240494/

63. *July 11, Worcester Telegram & Gazette* – (Massachusetts) **State confirms leak in Ramshorn Pond dam in Millbury.** Massachusetts Office of Dam Safety inspectors

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responding to reports from residents about low water levels and concern about the stability of the dam at Ramshorn Pond on the border of Millbury and Worcester, Massachusetts, reported July 10 that water is leaking through, but there was no imminent threat of it failing. The director of public works said the recently completed Phase 1 report reclassified the dam's condition to poor from fair, and during Phase 2 a study to determine what is causing the leak will assess what needs to be done to repair it. Low water levels were not caused by the leak, but a beaver dam is blocking some inflow to the pond.
Source: http://www.telegram.com/article/20120711/NEWS/107119984/1116

64. *July 10, KOMO 4 Seattle* – (Washington) **Crews begin removing Green River sandbags.** With the threat of a dam break and a disastrous flood now over, crews began removing the thousands of sandbags lining the Green River, KOMO 4 Seattle reported July 10. Sandbags stacked 3 feet high will be removed from a 26-mile stretch of the river from Auburn to Tukwila, Washington. The bags were first put in place in 2009 for $31 million after the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers warned the Howard Hanson Dam had a one in three chance of breaking. The dam held and repairs were made and cleanup costs totaled $5.8 million. Work beginning in Kent will be completed by the end of July. The remaining bags will be removed by the end of 2012.
Source: http://www.komonews.com/news/local/Crews-begin-months-long-process-of-removing-Green-River-sandbags-162005795.html

65. *July 10, Palo Alto Daily News* – (California) **Grand jury says San Mateo County has failed to prepare for levee and dam failures.** Five years after a grand jury warned that San Mateo County, California, had not adequately planned for dam and levee failures, nothing has changed, according to a report released July 9 by the 2012 civil grand jury. Levee failure still is not specifically addressed in a countywide emergency plan, individual city emergency preparedness plans are inconsistent, and two have not been completed, the 2011-12 San Mateo County Civil Grand Jury found. Such neglect is "unacceptable," the jury stated in a news release. The 2006-2007 civil grand jury recommended that the county's Office of Emergency Services work with cities to develop emergency action plans by March 31, 2008. The plans should include a list of three or more officials or emergency responders to contact in the event of an emergency, a plan of action in the event of a dam or levee failure, and copies of recent inspection reports. Plans were subsequently prepared by East Palo Alto, Foster City, San Mateo, and Redwood City, although the county office of emergency services did not do enough to standardize the efforts. As a result, they are "inconsistent plans that vary in detail," the current civil grand jury found. South San Francisco told the grand jury it did not have to do an emergency plan because the city does not have any levees, yet a levee is listed on a 2012 Federal Emergency Management Agency map. San Carlos reported it did not draft a plan because it was never provided with the 2006-2007 civil grand jury's recommendations.
Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/peninsula/ci_21040709/grand-jury-says-san-mateo-county-has-failed

66. *July 9, Canadian Press* – (International) **Mine's leaky dam blamed on heavy rain.** Heavy rainfall and a sinkhole contributed to the partial failure of an earthen dam

in the Kootenay region of British Columbia, Canada, local officials said, according to Canadian Press, July 9. The dam on the site of an old Hudson's Bay lead-zinc mine near Salmo is part of the retaining wall for the mine's tailings pond. Officials declared a local state of emergency the week of July 2 after the dam began to leak. A spokesman for the regional district said officials found the sinkhole on the inside of the dam, near the center of the structure, after draining down the pond. Regular inspections would not have revealed the hole because of its location and depth, 1.8 meters below the normal high water mark, said a statement from the district. Officials said the leaks were stopped, and crews were building up the face of the dam with rock, earth, and fill. Source: http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/british-columbia/mines-leaky-dam-blamed-on-heavy-rain/article4401820/

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